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Content: Each book includes four short stories on topics for young people and adults. The series focuses on 300 sight words.

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Starting Gate Series

Note to Teachers and Parents

These stories were written to give the new reader success in reading. They use words from a 301-word vocabulary list.

Because the vocabulary is cumulative, students should read the books in order. Before the student attempts to read the first story in Book 1, she or he should know by sight (be able to read out loud) all of the “101 Words to Read,” which are listed at the back of Book 1.

Have the student copy each of the “101 Words to Read” on a 3” by 5” card, and then learn the words by whatever method the instructor or student chooses.

The same method should be used with the “New Word” list given for each story.

In addition, help the student with the names of the characters, such as “Tony” or “Sally,” in the story during the first reading.

A phonics program of your choice should be used by the student along with the stories.

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The Fog Horn

Mike woke with a noise in his ear. He had a look around. He had a look outside. He had a look around and outside.

He heard a noise. He heard a noise outside. It was not a little noise. The noise was like a horn.

“What is that noise, what is that noise?” he said. The noise did not stop. It was still in his ear. The noise was still in his ear.

The noise was outside. “What is that noise?” he said. AH...OOOOO, AH ...OOOOO. The noise did not stop. Mike had a look around. Mike had a look outside. He saw that there

was fog outside. He saw that there was fog all around. Mike woke with fog outside, and Mike still had the noise in his ear.

Mike said, “Could that noise be the fog horn?”
With the fog all around, could that noise be the fog horn? With the fog outside, could that noise be the fog horn? He had heard that

noise before. It was the fog
horn! That was the noise.
That was the noise Mike
heard. Mike heard the horn
when there was fog. Mike
heard the horn when there
was fog outside. Mike heard
the horn when there was
fog all around.

Mike was happy that he
could know about that
noise.

The fog horn did go
AH...OOOOO. Mike had
heard the fog horn before.
Mike had heard the fog
horn before when there had
been fog outside. Mike had
heard the fog horn before
when there had been fog all
around. Mike was happy
that he would know the
noise.

Mike went outside. He

ran around outside. He still heard the fog horn. He still saw the fog. The noise of the fog horn did not stop.

“Please”, said Mike, “I would like the fog horn to stop now. I would like the fog to go away.”

Mike would like the fog to go away. Mike would be happy to have not heard the fog horn. The fog went

away. The noise went away.
No fog, no fog horn. Now
Mike was happy to be
outside.

Book 5 (4th grade reading level)

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Maria's Garage

Maria came back from Bill's Hardware with her new garage door. Maria came back and installed her new door, but she had a problem.

Now that she had a new garage door, she could get inside her garage. That was

not the problem. The problem was that her garage was not neat.

There was stuff all over her garage. There was stuff everywhere. There was stuff in the corners. There was stuff on the walls.

Maria wanted to have a very neat garage. She did not want her garage to be a mess.

Maria wanted to have a neat garage. She did not want stuff in the corners. She did not want stuff on the walls.

Maria went back to Bill's and got some boxes. She could throw the stuff in the boxes. She could throw the stuff in the corners in a box. She could throw the stuff on the wall in a box.

Her garage would look very neat with all the stuff in boxes. She then could label each box. She could write a name on each box.

She could then keep her tools in a box. She would then have her old toys in a box.

She could keep gifts she did not want in a box. Her garage would look very

neat. The boxes were a good idea.

If Maria was going to write on the box, she would have to find a pen or a pencil. She could take a pen or a pencil and label a box. She could write the word “Tools” with a pen. She could write the word “Toys” with pencil. She could write on the boxes

with a pen or a pencil.

Maria went inside and got some pens and pencils. She had fun writing on the boxes.

She had fun writing with the pens. She had fun writing with the pencils. She had fun writing the names on the boxes.

She was making her garage a neat garage. She

wanted to have a neat
garage. Now that there was
not stuff everywhere, her
garage looked very neat.
Having a neat garage was
the most fun of all.

Word List

Book One	hotel	stop
around	idea	stone
beach	kitchen	swim
better	moon	telescope
brother	mountains	toes
cash	night	wanted
cook	noise	woke
cool	ocean	Book Two
dark	old	ball
ear	only	best
face	out	change
feel	outside	chef
fog	question	feed
gift	sand	field
heard	sister	five
horn	stars	game
hot	still	give

goal	same	beep
guests	since	boom
hear	six	box
heat	smile	captain
inside	soccer	ceiling
keep	supper	cell
kick	team	closet
large	try	drive
last	warm	each
lot	wave	fit
meal	weekend	flat
menu	world	gas
name	Book Three	glad
net	alarm	head
number	anywhere	leave
phone	ask	let
photo	back	lost
pizza	battery	loud
pool	bedroom	most

person	catch	pond
player	close	rid
pocket	dip	sale
ring	door	sat
smoke	feet	screwdriver
spare	fill	seat
station	fish	show
stay	forward	sign
tire	found	sold
touch	fun	string
truck	garage	stuff
vote	hammer	throw
wall	hand	tool
wheel	hardware	toy
year	install	trade
Book Four	map	train
bag	move	vacation
both	nail	yard
care	pole	

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